IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS MARSHALL DIVISION

CONVOLVE, INC.	§	
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Plaintiff,	§	
	§	
v.	§	Civil Action No. 2:08-cv-244
	§	
DELL INC.,	§	
WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION,	§	
HITACHI GLOBAL STORAGE	§	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
TECHNOLOGIES, INC., and	§	
HITACHI LTD.,	§	
	§	
Defendants.	§	

PROPOSED INSTRUCTION AND SPECIAL INTERROGATORY ON EFFECTIVE FILING DATE

Dell respectfully requests that the Court provide the jury with the following instruction and special interrogatory regarding the effective filing date of the '473 patent.

ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTION:

Dell proposes adding the following sentence to the end of the Court's Instruction No. 15:

"You should indicate on the verdict form in response to Question __ whether the November 20, 1998 provisional application satisfies the written description requirement."

VERDICT QUESTION:

Yes _____ No ____

the effective filing date is March 4, 1999.

	Do you find that the November 20, 1998 provisional application describes	the	full scope
of the	claimed invention as it is finally claimed in the issued patent and that	the	inventors
actually	y possessed that full scope by the filing date of the original application?		

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